REMARKS

Claims 1-7, 11, and 12 stand rejected in the above-identified patent application. Claims 9 and 10 are objected to. Claim 10 is being rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 2-5, 7, and 12 are being amended to depend from claim 10. Claim 1 is being amended to include the novel subject matter in claim 10, claim 6 is being amended and claims 13-16 are being added to further define the invention claimed in claim 1.

In view of the above amendments, the Applicant respectfully asserts that the present application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, allowance of claims 1-7 and 9-16 is respectfully requested. No additional fees for filing this response are believed to be due. However, if such fees are due, including additional fees for an extension of time, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the additional fees to deposit account no. 17-0055.

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